

Docket No. 56,775 RCE (70551)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: N. Kanetsuki, et al.

EXAMINER: L. Vinh

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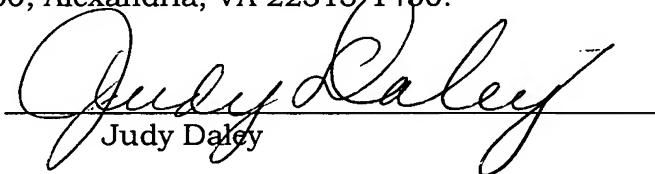
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Sir:

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment in the above-captioned application dated 10 November 2004, Applicants are resubmitting hereinbelow their Amendment originally filed on 26 October 2004 wherein the status identifier associated with New Claims 18 and 19 has been changed from "(New Claim)" to "(New)" pursuant to the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121.

Applicants respectfully submit that this Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment brings the Amendment originally filed on 26 October 2004 into full compliance with 37 CFR 1.121.

**AMENDMENT**

In response to the Official Action currently outstanding with respect to the above-identified case, please amend the subject application as follows: